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SUBBJ: GARBA COMMENTS ON THE HORN

- 1. IN A SATURDAY MARCH 25 INTERVIEW OF NIGERIAN TELEVISION "MEET THE PRESS," COMMISSIONER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS GARBA COMMENTED ON RHODESIA AND THE HORN. HIS COMMENTS ON RHODESIA ARE TRANSMITTED SEPTEL.
- 2. MAIN POINTS OF GARBA'S COMMENTS ON THE HORN AS REPORTED IN SUNDAY TIMES MARCH 26 FOLLOW:
- --NIGERIA HAS VIEWS ON THE ETHIOPIA-SOMALIA CONFLICT, BUT IT HAD NOT TAKEN A STAND BECAUSE SUCH WOULD HAVE BEEN INCONSISTENT WITH HER MEDIATION ROLE.
- -- WHAT IS ESSENTIAL IS TO HALT THE WAR AND ACHIEVE PEACE SETTLEMENT IN THE OGADAN. NIGERIA HAS TRIED TO DO THIS.
- --THERE ARE INHERENT CONTRADICTIONS AMONG OAU MEMBERS ALONG IDEOLGICAL LINES WHICH LIMIT WHAT THE OAU CAN DO IN A CONFLICT SITUATION.
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